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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR

SWITCHING FIBRE CHANNEL ARBITRATED LOOP SYSTEMS

#### RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

#### **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 1, 2006, for which a response was due on February 1, 2007, and for which a three-month extension of time is requested to extend the time for response from February 1, 2007, to May 1, 2007.

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### **SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS**

### **SPECIFICATION**

X There are no amendments to the specification.

# **CLAIMS**

- X There are no amendments to the claims.
- X A complete listing of all claims ever present in this case in ascending order with status identifier is presented in a separate section.